

**5014. Adulteration of scallops. U. S. * * * v. 8 Barrels of Scallops.
Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product ordered
released on bond. (F. & D. No. 321-c.)**

On January 26, 1917, the United States attorney for the District of Massachusetts, acting upon a report by the commissioner of the State Department of Health of Massachusetts, authorized by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel of information praying the seizure and condemnation of 8 barrels of scallops, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Boston, Mass., alleging that the article had been shipped by A. H. G. Mears, Wachapreague, Va., and transported from the State of Virginia into the State of Massachusetts, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel of information for the reason that a substance—to wit, added water—had been mixed and packed with the article so as to reduce, lower, and injuriously affect its quality and strength, and had been substituted in part for said article.

On January 27, 1917, the said A. H. G. Mears, claimant, having consented to a decree and having executed a satisfactory bond in conformity with section 10 of the act, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be delivered to said claimant upon the payment of the costs of the proceedings.

CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*